MR. K. I. JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*): Are not the Government aware that the people of the locality had already represented to the Excise Commissioner that the shops should be changed from that place?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): That is clear from the answer. It is true that there was a complaint in the matter.

MR. K. I. JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*): Are the Government now unable to supply reasons for that?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): This question was the subject-matter of discussion during the general discussion on the budget and the Excise Commissioner made the position clear during that discussion.

MR. K. I. JOSEPH (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*): Are the Government in a position *at present* to say on what grounds the Excise Commissioner based his decision?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The Excise Commissioner himself explained the matter in detail during the general discussion on the budget. So, I do not consider it necessary that I should re-state the grounds.

Mr. P. V. Abraham, Teacher, Model School.

232. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether one Mr. P. V. Abraham has been appointed in a permanent vacancy, in the Model School;

(*b*) whether one Mr. P. K. Subrahmanya Aiyar had been acting in that vacancy and, if so, for how many years;

(*c*) whether the Head Master of the Model School and the Principal of the Training College reported favourably about Mr. P. K. Subrahmanya Aiyar's work;

(*d*) the qualifications of the two officers; and

(*e*) whether Mr. P. V. Abraham had applied to the Principal for the post?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) Yes; for about 17½ months.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Mr. P. V. Abraham is a B. A., L. T., and Mr. P. K. Subrahmanya Aiyar is a B. A. (Hons).

(*e*) No.

Mr. N. Koshi, Store-keeper, Stamp Manufactory.

233. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether Mr. N. Koshi who was appointed acting counter on Rs. 16 in the Stamp Manufactory in Chingam 1100, had any appointment in any other department prior to his appointment in the Stamp Manufactory;

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[Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai.]

(*b*) when he was appointed as Store-keeper on Rs. 35;

(*c*) whether the claims of his seniors were considered when he was appointed as Store-keeper; and

(*d*) whether Mr N. Koshi's name is included in the 1st quarterly caste-war list of appointments for 1100, and, if not, why?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes. He was an acting clerk in the Government Press in 1099.

(*b*) and (*c*) Mr. Paramesvaran Pillai, the permanent Store-keeper, availed himself of 8 days' privilege leave from 17-12-1100. As there was no one in the office who was prepared to deposit the required security for so short a period, Mr. Koshi was, without prejudice to the superior claims of his seniors, appointed to act as Store-keeper during the period on the personal responsibility of the permanent incumbent.

(*d*) No. As he had already held an acting appointment in 1099, the Superintendent did not include his name in the returns for his office.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): How many working days were there during the 8 days' privilege leave availed of by Mr. Paramesvaran Pillai?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know whether he was given any allowance for all these 8 days?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): Most probably.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): What was he when he was appointed as Store-keeper and what was his pay then?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): He was an acting counter before he was appointed as acting Store-keeper.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): No answer is given as regards his pay.

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): There was no specific question on the point.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Was there any correspondence between the Superintendents of the Government Press and the Stamp Manufactory when he was taken to the Stamp Manufactory?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Is there any special reason why his name was not included in the Stamp Manufactory returns?

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MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag. Financial Secretary to Government*): The Superintendent, Stamp Manufactory, ought to have included his name in the returns.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): May I know why it was not included?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag Financial Secretary to Government*): It was a mistake.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Did he deposit the required amount?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Ag, Financial Secretary to Government*): He was acting as Store-keeper on the responsibility of the permanent incumbent.

Posting of Co-operative Inspectors.

234. **MR. N. KUMARAN** (*Nominated*): (1) In view of the reply given by the Government to question No. 168 asked at the meeting of the Council held on the 19th April 1926, regarding the posting of Inspectors of Co-operative Credit Societies, will the Government be pleased to state how many Ezhava Inspectors are posted to places where the Ezhavas are living in large numbers ?

(2) Are the Government aware that the Ezhavas are living in very large numbers in the taluks of Shertallai, Vaikam and Parur in the Kottayam Division, Kartikapalli, Karunagapalli and Quilon in the Quilon Division, and Chirayinkil in the Trivandrum Division?

(3) If the answer to part (2) is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to state whether they will post an Ezhava Inspector to each of those taluks?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (1) One.

(2) Yes.

(3) This is not possible since the Government do not propose to create new appointments for each taluk to provide posts for particular communities.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): With reference to the answer to part 3, did not the Government create seven appointments last year?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Are not the Government going to create three more this year ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I believe so. There is provision in the budget for that.

MR. N. KUMARAN (*Nominated*): Will the Government take into consideration the principle involved in part (1) of my question, in making fresh appointments this year?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government will of course take into consideration the claims of Ezhavas, and once they are taken, the principles referred to will be observed.

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